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C O N F I D E N T I A L ABU DHABI 1188

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EFIN, TC

SUBJECT: REQUEST OF AMF DIRECTOR HASHIM FOR APPOINTMENT WITH
TREASURY SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL

REF: ABU DHABI 1098

1. SUBSEQUENT TO ARAB MONETARY FUND MEETING IN ABU DHABI APRIL

25-26, EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED OF NEW DEVELOPMENT IN AMF
DIRECTOR HASHIM'S ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN APPOINTMENT WITH SECRETARY
BLUMENTHAL (REFTEL). IN ABSENCE OF ANY RESPONSE TO HASHIM'S
REQUEST TO SEE BLUMENTHAL DURING PERIOD JUNE 2-8, HASHIM NOW WISHES
TO CANCEL REQUEST FOR MEETING THAT PERIOD DUE TO INCREASING
TIME PRESSURE ON HIS OWN CALENDAR. INSTEAD HASHIM WISHES
TO SEE SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL SUBSEQUENT TO HIS MEETING IN SWITZERLAND
IN SECOND WEEK IN JUNE. HASHIM INTENDS TO SPEND A WEEK IN U.S.
ASSUMING HE RECEIVES BLUMENTHAL APPOINTMENT. HIS SCHEDULE FOR
SEEKING APPOINTMENT IS, THEREFORE, FLEXIBLE BUT PREFERABLY
WOULD BE IN JUNE 15-22 PERIOD. IF THIS TIME IS NOT POSSIBLE,
HASHIM LIKELY AND WILLING TO MAKE SPECIAL TRIP AT TIME CONVENIENT
TO SECRETARY BLUMENTHAL. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, LACK OF APPOINT-
MENT WILL BE SEEN AS USG UNWILLINGNESS TO HAVE ANY RELATIONSHIP WITH
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2. HASHIM HAS INFORMED HEAD OF SAUDI MONETARY AGENCY AL QURAISHI
THAT HE IS SEEKING BLUMENTHAL APPOINTMENT AND ALSO DISCUSSED
SUBJECT AT LENGTH WITH GEORGE BALL OF LEHMAN BROTHERS KUHN LOEB
DURING BALL VISIT TO ABU DHABI IN APRIL. BALL WAS INTERESTED IN
QUESTION OF EXEMPTION AND SAW ANALOGY WITH HIS OWN WORK AS A LAWYER

IN BEHALF OF EEC IN 1950'S. HASHIM INTENDS TO CONSULT BALL ON THIS FURTHER.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT APPOINTMENT BE GIVEN WITH BLUMENTHAL. IF NECESSARY, SUGGEST THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED TO TELL HASHIM THAT APPOINTMENT IN PRINCIPLE AGREED ON BUT THAT APPROPRIATE TIMING NEEDS TO BE DECIDED AT LATER DATE. WE WOULD PREFER HAVE RESPONSE BY COB WEDNESDAY, MAY 3 IN ABU DHABI PRIOR TO HASHIM LEAVING ON TEN DAY TRIP.
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